

Amistad Task Force Priorities and Emerging issues for 2015 RFP

Goal 1: Reduce Air Pollution

- Generate a municipal pilot plan to mitigate the impact of climate change
- Establish an air quality monitoring station and exchange information with the State of Texas
- Develop an air database to measure emissions before and after hydraulic fracturing operations in Coahuila
- Promote the use of renewable energy
- Train automobile technicians on vehicle emission programs

Goal 2: Improve Access to Clean and Safe Water

- Develop rainwater harvesting and water reuse techniques (such as condensate water from AC units) for irrigation of green areas and encourage installation of drip irrigation systems
- Conduct a water sampling study in the Rio Grande downstream of the Del Rio wastewater treatment plant to determine if it meets quality standards

Goal 3: Promote Materials Management and Waste Management and Clean Sites

- Establish waste management programs in ten municipalities in Coahuila
- Develop a recycling and awareness program in the community
- Establish a used electronics and household hazardous waste management program in Acuña
- Develop a scrap tire management program on the Kickapoo reservation
- Promote recycling and solid waste disposal programs on the reservation

Goal 5: Enhance Compliance Assurance and Environmental Stewardship

- Establish a municipal enforcement program to prevent pollution on water bodies, such as Las Vacas creek and San Rodrigo river

Goal 6: Promote Cross-Cutting Efforts related to Environmental Health and Environmental Education

- Develop a water quality study for heavy metals in the Rio Grande and a diagnostic study between the correlation of cancer rates in children and drinking water
- Expand environmental awareness activities by the Green Tec Osos (an environmental group from the Piedras Negras Technological Institute) in the community such as “A Day Without Gasoline.”